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#### SAMPLE OF ANARCHISM.

The dynamiting of the Utah hotel for the second time since the work of construction began cannot be passed over in silence or lightly considered. In the heat of passion men sometimes take human life, and excuses are found for them. No excuse can be offered for the coward who sneaks along under the cover of darkness and touches off a dynamite bomb. It is the most dastardly crime that can possibly be perpetrated. The man who was guilty of the outrage early Monday morning did not know whether or not his act would bring death to innocent passers-by. Evidently he did not care. That only material damage, which can be measured in dollars and cents, was done, does not palliate his offense or lessen the feeling of horror and indignation aroused in this community.

For many years past the anarchists, nihilists and various revolutionary sections in Europe have started the world with a series of foul crimes of this nature. More recently the gang of terrorists supposed to have their headquarters at Paterson, N. J., introduced this method of warfare into the United States, hitherto unknown save the single instance of the Haymarket riot in Chicago, for which the perpetrators paid with their lives. During the strike of the carmen in Philadelphia dynamite was used to wreck the cars in the streets. It has been used in other cities. In Chicago, for instance, there have been thirty-four bomb outrages during the past year, and the criminals who used the explosives have not been apprehended.

Now, a second crime of this nature has been perpetrated in Salt Lake. This peaceful city has been invaded by the most desperate and hardened of all violators of the law. A magnificent structure, being erected at a cost of over one million dollars, has suffered great damage, and adjacent buildings also bear marks which testify to the great force of this last explosion. There is but one thing to be done. Hunt down these murderers and cowardly dynamiters and bring them to the bar of justice. There is no room for miscreants of their class in Salt Lake. The people here are not accustomed to old-world methods of inspiring terror or wreaking vengeance.

Rewards have been offered for the apprehension of the men guilty of this latest case of dynamiting. The state offers \$500, the county commissioners \$500, the hotel company \$1,000 and the structural iron workers' union \$500, \$2,500 in all. The public approves of the action taken by all four. Now let every good citizen turn in and help find the miscreants. The good name of the city is at stake, and the lives of men, women and children in danger so long as the dynamiters remain at large. Hunt them down.

#### FALSIFYING THE RECORD.

The weakness of the testimony introduced by the so-called prosecution in the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy and the strength of the evidence put in so far by the defense is generally admitted. It really was not necessary that Mr. Ballinger should have put any witnesses upon the stand at all except to show up Louis R. Glavis in his true light. However, the secretary chose to amplify his defense and let the joint committee decide the case upon its merits. This will be done when the testimony is all in. In the meantime some of the muck-rakers are going outside of the printed record and attempting to distort the sworn evidence of some of Mr. Ballinger's witnesses. An article in a recent number of Collier's, under the caption, "Law," furnishes a case in point. Adolph Behrens of Seattle had been examined by Mr. Vortrees and turned over to Mr. Brandeis for cross-examination. The writer in Collier's charges that Mr. Behrens was at once caught by the attorney in a series of misstatements, and makes use of the following questions and answers:

Mr. Brandeis—You are one of the claimants in the Hunt group?  
Mr. Behrens—No, sir; I do not think that is a fact. In fact, I know it is not a fact.  
Mr. Brandeis—You do?  
Mr. Behrens—Yes, sir.  
Mr. Brandeis—You never have written to Mr. Dennett?  
Mr. Behrens—No, sir.  
Mr. Brandeis—You are quite sure you have not?  
Mr. Behrens—Quite sure.

That much is taken from the record of the proceedings intact. Instead of giving what followed in full, Collier's makes the bald assertion that "Mr. Brandeis thereupon produced the documents proving that he had written to Dennett, as Glavis had asserted, and also that charges of fraud had been made, and proceeded to lead him into a trap, whereupon Nelson rushed at once to the rescue, being as energetic in helping Ballinger witnesses as he was in attacking anti-Ballinger witnesses." Nothing could be further from the truth. The "documents" Mr. Brandeis produced consisted of a single business card which Mr. Behrens had left at the office of Mr. Dennett. Upon this card was pencilled the "phone number of Mr. Behrens and a request for a meeting with H. R. Thompson. In his testimony Mr. Behrens explained that he

was under the impression that he had left the request and "phone number verbally. That is the story, the correct story, of the "documents" alleged to have been introduced by Mr. Brandeis as printed in the official record of the investigating committee, page No. 2386, volume No. 24.

The charge against Chairman Nelson is made out of whole cloth. From time to time during the progress of the inquiry the chairman has asked questions. So have the other members of the committee. At no time has Mr. Nelson attempted to attack the witnesses of Glavis or protect those of Secretary Ballinger. The offense of the chairman, in the eyes of Collier's, is that he became weary of constant reiteration and at one point in the cross-examination of Behrens, interposed with the remark: "He has been over that ground once. He said he never made such a statement before." Such interjections are common enough with judges upon the bench and chairmen of committees in investigations like the one now going on. If they did not interfere, cases at law and congressional inquiries would never be concluded. So for this slight cause Senator Nelson is accused of being biased in favor of Secretary Ballinger.

It is known that Mr. Ballinger intends to bring an action against Collier's for libel on account of some of the wicked accusations that have appeared from time to time in that publication. Evidently for the purpose of poisoning the public mind in advance of the trial of this action, Collier's is now busily engaged in the attempt to bring the witnesses who testify on behalf of Mr. Ballinger and the members of the joint committee of Congress into disrepute. The attack upon Adolph Behrens and Chairman Knute Nelson is but part of a general plan for that purpose. Reputable journals are content to print the proceedings as they appear in the record without attempting to garble them, leaving to the committee the task of weighing the evidence and bringing in their verdict.

No one would deny Collier's or any other magazine the privilege of making editorial comment, but the truth should be published at all times and no attempt made to befog and bewilder the public by the printing of garbled extracts from the testimony with unfavorable comment upon things which do not appear in the record.

Knute Nelson is well and favorably known throughout the country, and the accusation made by Collier's in his case will prove harmless. The other members of the committee are also men of the highest integrity and honor. Let them decide the question at issue without interference.

#### USE THE HOME PRODUCT.

Salt Lake is spending many thousands of dollars in the paving of streets, citizens owning property along the thoroughfares being paved putting up their share cheerfully. Very few complaints have been registered on account of the expense attached to these public improvements. Vigorous complaints are heard, however, regarding the importation of asphalt from California when it can be had right here in Utah at a much less price. This question has arisen before, and by some system of humbuggery the property owners have been induced to forego their demand for the Utah asphalt. This time a vigorous effort will be made to have the home product used. George T. Odell has called the attention of the mayor to the matter, and that official has sent the letter of Mr. Odell to the city council with a note from himself asking that the question be given full and complete consideration.

It is up to the city council to say whether Contractor Moran shall continue to import high-priced asphalt or buy equally as good material at home for less money. There is no doubt as to what the city council should do in the premises. What action they finally take is another matter. The property owners have some voice in the matter, and a united protest should be made against the use of the California asphalt. The Rev. Elmer I. Goshen brought Contractor Moran to time single-handed and alone when East First South street was being paved. Mr. Moran put the public to great inconvenience by leaving a strip on one side of the street in front of the Congregational church unpaved for many months, being finally compelled to use the Utah asphalt in the work as demanded by Rev. Goshen in the first place. The example set by the pastor should be generally followed in case the city authorities do not act promptly. Of course it would be much better if the council would give the necessary order, but perhaps that is too much to expect unless public sentiment is too strong to be safely resisted. If the cry of "patronize home industry" is loud enough, it will be heard. It is certainly worth trying.

#### WHY UTAH IS REPUBLICAN.

For several years past Utah has invariably been found in the Republican column when the votes were tallied on the night of election. The reason is not hard to find. Utah is a large producer of wool and lead. Under the Republican principle of protection, these industries have prospered mightily, and will continue to prosper so long as the present tariff system prevails. That is one reason. Another one is the fact that the whole country is prosperous under Republican rule, and that prosperity extends to the most remote corners of the land. That Utah is getting its full share is evidenced by the great advance in real estate prices in Salt Lake and the large amount of money being invested in towering structures of all kinds. A third reason is the fact that the Republican party has always been a party of progress. It is a party that builds up instead of tearing down; a party with a definite policy and brains enough to carry that policy into effect; a party that passes laws for the benefit of the people as a whole, instead of employing its time in trying to array section against section and making

promises which are impossible of fulfillment.

Utah is Republican because its citizens have no desire to turn the country over to the tender mercies of the free traders. They had their lesson during the second Cleveland administration, when the Democrats, being in possession of all three legislative branches of the government, tinkered with the tariff. The result was that even the stomach of Cleveland revolted, although he allowed the bill to become a law without his signature after denouncing it as an "act of perfidy and dishonor." All of the industries of the country were paralyzed. Wool having been placed on the free list, that industry was perhaps the greatest sufferer of them all. The people of Utah remember these things and do not care to encounter another series of disasters such as followed in the wake of the last Democratic triumph. Those who are in full possession of their mental faculties do not, at any rate.

To turn the Republican party out of power would mean another revision of the tariff, with free wool and free lead, and another period of financial disaster and depression, a period of low wages and little business. The voters of Utah are not going to help bring about any such catastrophe, not in this year of our Lord. A Democratic administration once in a lifetime is sufficient. Such an administration they have endured, so no more foolishness of that character for the present generation.

#### A WAVE OF CRIME.

Other cities besides Salt Lake are suffering from the depredations of the criminal classes and pretty much the same story is told, houses looted, citizens held up in the streets and men shot down in their tracks without provocation. Conditions are so bad at Indianapolis that the News is moved to exclaim:

We are having a positive epidemic of burglary. The work of the burglars is growing more daring and the "swag" in compensation, of course—is of greater value. What the police are doing about it only the police know; but what they are not doing about it everybody knows—they are not capturing the burglars. Officers on bicycles and in automobiles answer the frantic call of the citizen who has been robbed, but almost invariably the official report is that no clew of the marauders could be found. But burglars have been caught heretofore and burglars can be caught again. It is the business of the police to catch burglars and stop burglary. They know how to catch them or should know how. It is high time that effective use were made of their knowledge.

Sure enough, it is up to the police of Indianapolis to catch the burglars, footpads and other criminals. It is likewise up to the police of other cities to do likewise. There should be a general round-up, in fact. Crime of all kinds has become entirely too common. The escape of those who commit them is also too common. Some of them are captured and are then released upon trial. This is particularly true of those who commit murder. The Louisville Courier-Journal gives the following account of the acquittal of a man who had deliberately slain a fellow citizen:

In Louisville a man is put upon trial for his life. It is admitted by the defense that he bought a pistol and cartridges, waited for a man near the latter's place of business and shot him to death, but the defense asserts that the slayer was "temporarily insane," and introduces the ubiquitous expert witness to prove that he must have been "temporarily insane," else he would not have imperiled his life by taking that of his neighbor. The jury returns a verdict of "not guilty."

It is estimated that 97 per cent of the murderers tried in the United States are acquitted, leaving but 3 per cent who are sent to the scaffold or who do penance in the state penitentiaries. Most of the men thus acquitted work the "insanity dodge," a method of defense originated by a noted criminal lawyer of New York, John Graham. It is time that loophole of escape was effectually plugged.

Indianapolis and Louisville are having the same experience as other places. Unless the officers catch the lawbreakers and the juries convict them, there is no relief in sight.

#### A WORTHY CAUSE.

The work of the Salt Lake Charity association is worthy of special commendation. Too often in the hurry and bustle of life when each individual is striving to carve out a fortune, the deserving poor, those who have met with misfortune and are left in want and misery, are neglected. Not entirely because the more fortunate ones are not willing to aid the distressed, but because their attention is not called to the matter. Generally speaking, the percentage of those who are not able to care for themselves in Salt Lake is very small, and the calls made upon those who are able to give are not so extensive as to embarrass them financially. The Salt Lake Charity association is doing a noble work and following in the footsteps of the Master. "Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over shall men give unto your bosom."

#### EATING GOAT MEAT.

It is said that the good people of Brooklyn, the poorer ones among them, are trying goat meat for a change and find it palatable as well as nourishing. As goat meat was in general use in ancient times, the Brooklyn experiment is nothing new, although "Billy" and "Nanny" have been spared the ignominy of being slaughtered in the big packing houses hitherto, unless, indeed they have been hung up in the cooling rooms with a label of "mutton" attached to them. That charge was made a year or two ago, but the proof was lacking. Probably it wasn't so. At the present time, however, the Brooklyn people are getting away with 20,000 pounds of goat meat weekly, and the amount put upon the market is increasing steadily. Unless beef, pork and mutton come down, the habit of eating goat flesh may spread all over the country. Over in Europe the poorer classes eat worse meat. Surely the flesh of the goat is preferable.

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